### SOME ODD STORIES.

INTERESTING TALES OF ADVENTURE ON LAND AND SEA.

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At the time of which I write I was connected with a railroad survey along the thirty-fifth parallel, and we had our head-quarters at the town of Albuquerque, N. M., then a place of small importance. Even its most sanguine inhabitant did not dream at that time of the prosperity the railroad would bring to it.

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Of the population of 1,500 I do not think 50 were Americans, or "whites," as they preferred to call themselves, though some of the New Mexicans were as fair as any of strong Indian and sometimes a negro

aiways celebrated by a fandange, and as the New Mexican, like the old Mexican, women are exceedingly fond of dancing this form of entertainment was kept up oughtly so long as los gringoes—the stran gers—were willing to pay the fieldlers. Not being a dancer, I did not care for fan dangoes, but one of my friends prevailed on me one night to go with him and see

What he called "the tan."

The fundange that night was held at the founds, or hotel, kept, I think, by a man named Murphy. The hotel, like every other house in the place, the church on the plaza included, was adobe. The dining room, a long, gloomy apartment, made passable at night by many candles, was used for dancing. passable at night

Near the entrance there was the inevitable har, and at the farther end a platform raised about a foot above the floor, on which was scated the orchestra, consisting of two

I thought the women by no means as good looking as the men, but I made an exception in the case of one who was somewhat famed in that region under the name of Donna C. Anna. This girl was petite, graceful as an antelope, and her pale, olice features were as pure and perfect as one of Ranhael's modornas.

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Raphael's madonnas.

As may be supposed, Donna C. Anna was the belle of the ball, and I was not long in discovering that a young Mexican with a dangerous looking knife in his red sush and a dangerous glitter in his black, Indian-like gres was inclined to monopolice all the girl's time, and evidently to her own annoy ance as well as that of others.



HE FACED US AND THIED TO FIRE. selves and with the natives in the most

One of the finest looking fellows present was Sergeant Carey of the Fifth United States cavalry, who was attached to our escort. He had already distinguished him

ng man seemed to be captivated by the Mexican girl, and on her part the was without doubt pleased with his atten

broke up at 2 in the morning he helped her on with her becoming rebosa and prepared to excert her home.

The two had just left when Captain He-art-frew me out and asked quickly: "Have you a pistol about you!" We all carried arms when not askeep, so I answered, "Yes; haven't you one?"
"I have, but I want two,"
"What for?"
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"Sergeant Carey is going to have trouble. I have been watching that dog of a
Mexican, Pedro, and if I'm not mistaken
he is lying in walt for the sergeant now on
account of that girl."

I proposed to go with Hobart, but as he
would not hear to it I handed him my revolver and stood outside the found door to
await his return, for we tented together.

The capitain flew in the direction taken
by the sergeant though they had preceded

by the sergeant, though they had preceded him only a few minutes. He had not been gone while one could deliberately count 49 when I heard a shout, then a woman's shrill scream, quickly followed by the repeated banging of a revolver and the sound of hur

rying feel.

A number of our people rushed out of the botel, and with these I hurried in the direction of the noise.

We found the sergeant bleeding on the ground and Donna C. Anna in a faint be side him. Both were taken back to the hotal he arise him the girl had revived.

side him. Both were taken back to the hotel, by which time the girl had revived. Our doctor chanced to be present. He made a harried examination of the sergeant's wound, shook his liead sadly and muttered. "Poor fellow! He is called!"

The dagger had just escaped the heart. The blade was driven entirely through the left lung, and the point entered the spine. I bent over the dying man—be had been a favorite with me—and asked:
"Who stabbed you, sergeant!"
"I do not know," he gasped.
"But I do," said the girl, now kneeling beside the bed and holding his hand.

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"Who was it?"
"That black dog, Peiro!"

As that Christ died?" she exclaimed. "As that Christ died," she exclaimed.
At this juncture Captain Hobart came
in, painting like a man after a bard run.
"Pedro dia this," he said, with an oath,
I fired at the morderer, but as he was
running and it was dark I am afraid I did
not even touch him."
Just as the day was dawning the ser

geant died, and that afternoon we buried him with military honors on the banks of the swollen Eto Crande. A surely was made for the assessin, had of course behind fled. We afterward leave

ed that be had taken a grunger broken with him in his flight. A reward was of fered for his capture, but there was little hope that any one would claim it, certainly

Two works after this, with Captain Ho-sert and a ball dozen crospers, I was not xamiling coal infloations along the banks of the Process when we suddenly came upon We man in the tangle of bills through thin to river winds. It needed no second

plance to tell us that they were Pestro and HIGHEST his brother. The two leaped on their ready horses, wheeled and fired, then were away like the

wind, with eight asil mounted men in close pursuit. Our horses were just begin ning to be blowed when we saw the broth-ers, to avoid a canyon in front, turn their horses and dash into the river.

The water was not over three feet deep but we soon saw that the bottom was treacherous quicks and.
The horses of the fugitives had sunk near ly out of sight when we got up, and the

A well directed shot brought Pedro to a sudden halt. He faced us and tried to fire, but another shot broke his pistol arm, and he sank lower and lower till only his flerce.

He was traveling through western New South Wales and stopped to spend the night at a little town where his coming vanized Chain, Galvanized Sheet

example, he said, but the truth of it is, and I speak of my own knowledge, the young men are too bashful to propose, and the young ladies are too modest to show Samo that they are ready to say yes to the right

"One man in the company was elected as president, and he was pledged to keep secret all writing that came into his possession until he was told to divulge it. The consent was to be given by the writers. The law yer then handed round blank slips of paper and told each unmarried lady to write on it her own name and under it the name of the man she would prefer to marry if she had to do so at once.

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dle aged married man, got up and an nounced amid much applause that fayoung men and 12 young women had reciprocally chosen each other, but whom they had

Now, hear the conclusion. I was pass

### A Good Sell.

The major is a martinet, and his personal latest Underwriters' rules.

ficers, cordially dislikes the major and lets slip no opportunity of taking him down when it can be done without a visitation of military discipling. The art visitation of military discipline. The captain had been to Leavenworth, where there is a home for disabled volunteer soldiers, and on his return he met the major at the Post club, where the latter was telling how he had won battles which others claimed the glory

of. Suddenly Whelin said:
"I saw a man over at Leavenworth who'd give the world to kick you."

"Kick me!" shouted the major. "I de

"But I demand the name!" persisted the Hood's Cures

mark you, major, it must go no further "Who! Who?" "Don't be in such a nurry, major. The man was old Sergeant Billy Waters of the First artillery, who lost both his legs at

Atlanta by the explosion of a shell. Faith. he'd give all he has, or hopes to have, to be able to kick anybody?" ALFRED R. CALHOUN Against Blue

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Son—Yes, I suppose so, but I never was food of sweet things.—Boston Transcript.

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Pearl—It's a splendid likeness though.

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> "Many here are ready to follow your fine you will be pretty sure to buy Sauce Pans, Tea Kettles, First

much more nervously and seemed far more embarrassed than the girls.

"After all the communications were in the time to have your Coffin the president, who, by the way, was a mid like aged married man, not un and on the president man, not un and on the president man, not un and on the president man the communications were in the time to have your Coffin the function of the communications were in the time to have your Coffin the function of the communications were in the communication where the communication were considered to the communication which is the communication where the communication were considered to the communication which is the communication which The new "Pumping Plant thosen remained a secret with the president | works we'll and you can get all the water you want, so you

light or heavy pressure of water. Captain Whelin was an excellent volunteer officer, and because of this at the close of our late war he received a lieutenant's stock is more complete than Every bottle of which bears commission in the regular army and since then has won his way to the command of a company.

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The young married people took seats among the people, who were ranged on chairs about the wall, and following this in our big vise upstairs and yet chairs about the wall, and following this there came a silence that became embar rassing. At length a young lawyer, who seemed to be a hig man in the place, stood up and mode a rather long and certainly a very eloquent speech, in which he congratulated the bride and groom on what they this and asked the price of it imported into this country.

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